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Dear Mr. Flanagan

Thank you for your comments on my article (Genetic Transduction), and for the time you must have spent with it. I appreciate your offer to discuss the art of popular writing [for which I make no professions] and hope I can take you up on it some time. Many of my friends have agreed with you, that it was too difficult for the Scientific American, and I suppose you and they must be right. Having aimed at your audience, I may have been helped to reach another stratum, if that is a fair allusion— at any rate after some revision, the article went to the American Scientist, where it should reach the general scientific readers I am most concerned about. My visits to New York are infrequent and usually hurried, but I will try to arrange a meeting sometime.

Yours sincerely,

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